

# Combustion/Emission Species Monitoring Ground and Flight Aeronautical Research Using a Gas Microsensor Array, Phase I

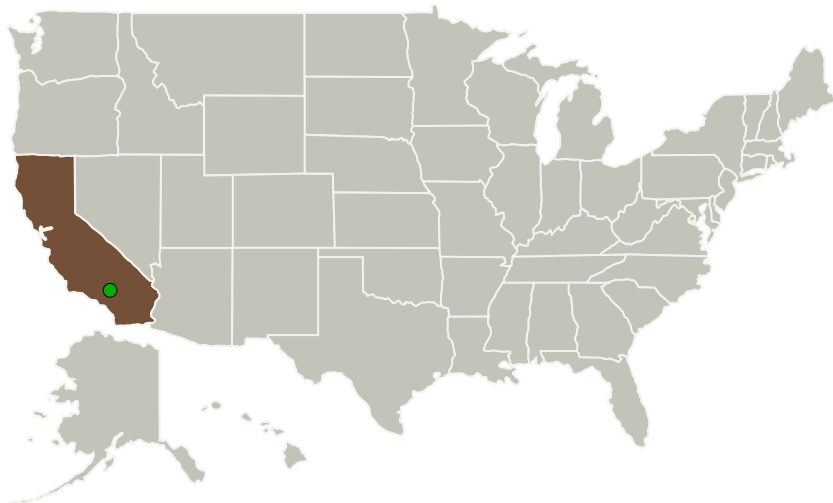
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## Project Introduction

Makel Engineering, Inc. (MEI) and the Ohio State University (OSU) propose to develop high sensitivity, miniaturized and in-situ operated gas sensors for the real time monitoring of chemical composition of turbine engine combustors and/or exhaust streams for real-time, in-flight propulsion system measurements to improve NASA's aeronautical flight test capabilities. Gas microsensor arrays developed by MEI, OSU and our technical development partners including NASA have been demonstrated for ground test usage to quantify composition of critical constituents in turbine engine exhaust products, e.g., CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, HC (unburned hydrocarbons) and H<sub>2</sub>. These sensor systems provide the basis for the proposed NASA SBIR effort, which will also leverage development of packaging for extractive emissions testing developed for the DoD with support from NASA researchers.

## Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
Makel Engineering, Inc.	Lead Organization	Industry Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	Chico, California
● Armstrong Flight Research Center (AFRC)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Edwards, California



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California

## Project Transitions



**February 2011:** Project Start



**September 2011:** Closed out

### Closeout Documentation:

- Final Summary Chart(<https://techport.nasa.gov/file/140180>)

## Organizational Responsibility

### Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

### Lead Organization:

Makel Engineering, Inc.

### Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer

## Project Management

### Program Director:

Jason L Kessler

### Program Manager:

Carlos Torrez

### Principal Investigator:

Benjamin Ward

### Co-Investigator:

Benjamin Ward

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## Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: **4**  
Current: **5**  
Estimated End: **5**



## Technology Areas

### Primary:

- TX13 Ground, Test, and Surface Systems
  - └ TX13.2 Test and Qualification
    - └ TX13.2.7 Test Instruments and Sensors

## Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System